Amount allocated for passenger amenities

1433. SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTA-CHARJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) th$_e$ amount allocated for pas senger amenities by the Railways for the year 1987-88;

(b) the amount allocated for Eastern Railways and South Eastern Railway for the purpose; and

(c) the details of projects/programmes completed in West Benagl under this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will b$_e$ laid on the Table of the Sabha.

A new Train between Delhi/New Delhi and Howrah

1434. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government are aware 1 h$_e$ continuous increase in passen ger traffic on Delhi/New Delhi-How-rah section;

(b) whether a new mail or super-fast train is proposed to be introduced thereon; and

(c) if so, when and the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

.(b) Not at present.

(c) Introduction of any additional train is not presently feasible due to lack of spare line capacity and Paucity of terminal facilities at both ends.

DTC .Bus Routes .plying between Pratap Nagar to Central Secretariat

1435. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased t$_0$ state:

(a) the number and details of DTC Bus routes between Pratap Nagar to Central Secretariat, New Delhi and their to and from frequencies;

(b) the number of scheduled trips missed on each of these routes during the month of January and February 1988; and

(c) whether the staff posted at Pratap Nagar Terminal do not pay any heed to the mising of trips on these routes Knd do not put in any other spare bus for convenience of the com-mutess to enable them to maintain punctuality and if so, the reasons the refor and what action Governmen^r propose to take against such DTC officials posted at Terminals who put the commuters to avoidable harassment and refuse t$_0$ help them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Route No. 95 is operating between Partap Nagar and Central Secretariat with a frequency of 13/26 minutes.

(b) Number of scheduled/missed trips of route No. 95 during the months of January, 1988 and February, 1988 are given hereunder: —

Month	Scheduled	Missed
January, 1988 .	3314	851
February, 1988 .	3044	933

(c) Inspectorate staff have instruc tions to take every care of the require-ments/compa lints of commuters. However in view of various opertion-ai constraints and traffic jams, the chances of missing trips cannot be en-